

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Kindly amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, line 7, after "This application is",  
insert a continuation of Application No. 08/478,093, filed  
June 7, 1995, now U.S. Patent No. 5,877,897, which is ~~now~~  
line 12, after "Feb. 26, 1993", insert  
--, now U.S. Patent No. 5,550,677.--.

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Kindly delete the existing abstract and replace it  
with the following new Abstract of the Disclosure:

~~WA~~ A vehicle control system and method includes  
structure and steps for capturing an image of a  
front seat of the vehicle and outputting image data  
corresponding thereto. A processor is provided  
which receives the image data output from the  
imaging device, compares the received image data  
with stored image data, and outputs a vehicle  
equipment control signal based on the comparison.  
Preferably, the vehicle equipment control signal  
controls one or more of airbag activation, mirror